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Subject: Resume of Ad Hoc Committee Meeting on NIS held 9 October 1947.

1. The meeting was opened at 1000 in the CIA Situation Room, Central Building. Members and observers present:

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| Dr. Francis Parkman | State member |
| Col. Allan MacLean | Army member |
| Dr. Samuel McKee | Army member |
| Capt. R. K. Davis | Navy member |
| Lt. Col. C. M. DeHority | Navy member |
| Lt. Col. T. L. Ridge | Navy member |
| Lt. Col. Robert Gould, Jr. | Air Force member (vice Col. Wallace) |
| Major Thomas Wolfe | Air Force |
| Mr. Donald Edgar | ICAPS |
| Mr. Prescott Childs | ICAPS |
| Dr. Peveril Meigs | JISPB |
| | ORE Chairman |

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2. The first topic on the agenda was to determine what JANIS should be completed under CIA. Dr. Meigs, chief editor of JANIS, indicated to the committee the current status of the various JANIS and the anticipated dates of completion (Annex A). The Chairman submitted to the committee a comparison of the various chapters of JANIS 40 (European USSR) and JANIS 41 (Caucasus Area USSR) with comparable chapters of SID-USSR (Annex B). The committee agreed to complete the following JANIS due to: (a) the advanced state of completion; (b) the desire of the joint planners for basic intelligence on the areas covered by the JANIS; and (c) to provide a stop-gap program of basic intelligence until the NIS program could get underway.

(1) JANIS to be completed

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| JANIS 312 | (Argentina) |
| JANIS 71 | (South Central China) |
| JANIS 40 | (European USSR) |
| JANIS 41 | (Caucasus Area USSR) |

(Tentative completion of Chapter IX pending future production developments).

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(2) JANIS to be held in abeyance

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| JANIS 404 | (Eastern Canada) |
| JANIS 57 | (Trans-Ural) |
| JANIS 405 | (Western Canada) |
| JANIS 1 | (Iceland) |

(3) The committee decided to examine the production situation on JANIS 51 (Turkey) and the corresponding SID-Turkey with the view towards combining these into a single JANIS-SID publication. This matter will be determined at the next meeting.

3. It was agreed by the committee that the matter of JANIS production could be reviewed at a later date when the NIS program had been more clearly determined.

4. The second topic on the agenda was the consideration of the NIS outline. * (Dr. Parkman, State, left the meeting at this point, since he was not prepared to discuss the NIS outline.) Colonel MacLean asked for agreement by the committee on the views of CIA expressed in the paper read by the chairman at the first meeting, specifically that portion which stated, "Naturally, there must be a practical limit to the amount of intelligence contained in an NIS. Our views might be expressed briefly as follows: that the general NIS should contain a degree of detail sufficient to satisfy all inter-agency requirements. For example, the naval intelligence contained in an NIS should satisfy generally the requirements of all the IAB agencies except Navy. Additional requirements on naval intelligence which are needed by Navy could be produced as an annex or supplement to the general NIS and disseminated in accordance with the desires of the Navy Department."

5. Captain Davis dissented to this on the grounds that Navy required considerable material which was produced by other agencies and he felt that the burden for producing the annexes required by the Navy would rest with the Navy Department. Further comments by other members indicated that both the general NIS and the annexes were part of the inter-agency responsibility and in consequence the other agencies would produce all material necessary to satisfy Navy's requirements. There upon Captain Davis withdrew his objections and the committee agreed to accept CIA's views as stated above.

6. After considerable discussion tentative agreement was reached by the committee on the main chapters of the NIS outline, subject to review at the next meeting and comments by State's representative who was not present. The main chapter headings so agreed to without reference to their relative sequence,

* Dr Parkman remained long enough to indicate concurrence with CIA's views on ~~SECRET~~ the NIS.

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were as follows:

- (1) ✓ Brief *Cartography files + photos*
- (2) ✓ Map Appraisal and Gazeteer
- (3) ✓ Geographic
 - (a) Topography
 - (b) Coasts and Landing Beaches
 - (c) Oceanography
 - (d) Climate and Weather
- (4) Sociological (including Health and Sanitation)
- (5) Political (including Subversive)
- (6) Economic
- (7) Scientific
- (8) Cities and Towns
- (9) Transportations and Telecommunications
(including Ports, Shipping and Merchant Marine)
- (10) Armed Forces *but not ports (Naval)*

7. Colonel Port (Naval) Facilities ~~Maclean~~ stated that he envisaged the NIS outline as a basis for developing a key index system for all basic intelligence, and therefore that he attached great importance to developing the NIS outline along the broadest lines. Comments by other members indicated general agreement with this view. The next meeting was scheduled for 1000 on Monday 13 October 1947. The meeting adjourned at 1630.

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4. Manuscripts not yet completed

Chapters I (Brief) and XIII (Gazetteer) of all studies cannot be written until chapters have been completed.

Completion Dates of Manuscripts:

JANIS 312: No chapters outstanding.

JANIS 71: Chapter II - Nov. 15.
VIII - Oct. 31.

JANIS 40: Chapter II - Maps by Oct. 31.
VII - (Transportation) - Dec. 1
VIII - Dec. 1
IX - (Electric Power) - Dec. 1
X - Oct. 15
XIII - (Map Appraisal) - Oct. 15

JANIS 41: Chapter II - Jan. 15
VII - (Transportation) - Jan. 1
VIII - Jan. 1
IX - (Electric Power) - Jan. 1
(Agriculture) 10% complete, work stopped.
X - Jan. 1
XI - Jan. 1 (almost complete but temporarily stopped)
XIII - (Map Appraisal) - Jan. 1

JANIS 51: Chapter II - JANIS work ordered stopped. Working on expanded SID outline
III - Nov. 1
V - Complete except for Navy section - Dec. 1
VI - Oct. 15
VII - (Transportation) - Feb. 1
VIII - Feb. 1
IX - (Electric Power only) - Feb. 1
XI - Jan. 1
XIII - (Map Appraisal) - Oct. 15

JANIS 404: Chapter IV - Stopped work.
V - Jan. 1
VII - Static
IX - Water sources, minerals and construction materials only
XIII - (Map Appraisal) - stopped work

5. Preparation of manuscripts for JANIS 404, Chapter II, III, VI, VIII, X, and XI has not yet started.

Note: Work on Chapters VII, VIII, and IX (Electric Power) by Engineer Research Section, O.C.E. delayed by lack of personnel in July and August. Maps will follow all completion dates by engineers in 4 to 6 weeks.

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Status of JANIS 40 and 41
in relation to SID-USSR

I. Brief. Usually prepared after all chapters have been completed. Nothing comparable in SID.

II. Military Geography. General statements and the lack of specific area studies give general vagueness to digest in SID Chapter I, Section 2, sub-sections A - D. Area information is not accessible because of topical breakdown.

Tabulated regional summary with JANIS 40 (European Russia), is very clear, concise, and gives a condensed analysis of relief by regions. JANIS 40, Chapter II, has been completed and that of JANIS 41 will be completed.

III. Oceanography. No comparable chapter in SID.

IV. Coasts and Landing Beaches. SID study is very general and is confined only to coasts with limited reference to beaches, and the section dealing with beaches adjacent to harbors and ports (SID Chapter VIII, section 6) is not yet available for analysis. No account is given either of water approaches or of hinterland. Important data such as ice conditions (cf. Sakhalin) are lacking. Manuscripts for both JANIS 40 and 41 containing detailed accounts for the areas involved have been completed.

V. Climate and Weather. Chapters of JANIS 40 and 41 are in the hands of the printer.

VI. Seaports. Chapter of JANIS 41 is in the hands of the printer and the same chapter of JANIS 40 is in the hands of the editorial board. It is a comprehensive and detailed study with annotated plans, air photos and summary tables. These studies cover the material also contained in SID Chapter VIII, Section 7 (Merchant Marine). SID manuscript is not yet available but treatment is less detailed.

VII. Transportation and Telecommunications. SID Chapter VIII, Section 2 (Railroads) follows general outline of JANIS but lacks data on weight of rails, curvatures and grades, repair facilities, bridges and tunnels.

No highway studies of either JANIS or SID are at hand for study.

SID Chapter VIII, Section 4 (Pipe Lines) contains adequate treatment and coverage of the areas within the scope of JANIS 40 and 41. Since the greatest part of the pipe line network lies within the areas prescribed by these latter studies, the current SID chapter could be

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Status of JANIS 40 and 41 in relation to SID-USSR (contd.)

substituted and no further JANIS work on pipe lines need be undertaken.

Information on inland waterways in SID Chapter VIII, Section 5, is general and lacks concreteness. Important data lacking: Depths, current velocities, obstructions (rapids, shoals, dams), bridge clearance, river ports and facilities, types and drafts of vessels, and explicit information on navigability of named rivers.

SID Chapter VIII, Section 9 (Telecommunications) and the JANIS account are very similar and are produced by the same source. The chapters of JANIS 40 and 41 have been completed.

VIII. Cities and Towns. JANIS manuscripts have not been received by editorial board but the usual JANIS treatment of important cities is such that the broad and generalized character of the material in SID Chapter I, Section 2 (G), would appear to be inadequate.

Complete Jan 40
(pending later developments)
IX. Resources and Trade. Except for the Electric Power section JANIS 40 is complete, but only about 10% of JANIS 41 has been completed. SID treatment in Chapter IV appears to cover this subject adequately.

X. People and Government. JANIS 40 chapter will be completed by 15 October and 41 by 1 January. The scope of the studies includes material and treatment similar to that contained in SID Chapter II, Section 3 and in Chapter III, but is less broad geographically speaking.

XI. Health and Sanitation. JANIS 40 chapter is in the hands of the printer and 41 is nearly completed. The SID treatment is less detailed and would not be an adequate substitution

XII. Aviation. JANIS 40 chapter has been published and that of 41 is in the hands of the printer. These chapters contain information comprised by SID Chapter VI, Section 3 (Air Force) and Chapter VIII, Section 8 (Civil Air).

XIII. Gazetteer and Map Appraisal. The Gazetteer section of JANIS cannot be compiled until all chapters have been completed. The Map Appraisal section of JANIS 40 is to be completed by 15 October, while that of JANIS 41 will be completed about 1 January. SID has no comparable chapter.